

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 21, 26, 31 and 36 as shown below. The claims, as pending in the subject application, now read as follows:

1. to 20. (Canceled)

21. (Currently amended) An image recording apparatus, comprising:

a recording unit adapted to record an image on a recording paper based on image data;

a plurality of bins to which the recording papers are ejected;

an attachment unit, adapted to attach a detachable memory to said image recording apparatus, the memory storing a plurality of image data and a plurality of attribute data corresponding to the plurality of image data, each attribute data having a plurality of attributes, each attribute including attribute information;

a designation unit, adapted to designate one attribute from among the plurality of attributes;

a recording unit, adapted to record the plurality of image data read from the memory attached by said attachment unit on a recording paper; and

a determination unit, adapted to make a determination, based on the attribute information stored in the detachable memory included in the attribute designated by said designation unit, such that a plurality of recording papers on which a number of image data with the same attribute information included in the attribute designated by said designation unit are recorded are output to the same bin output port.

22. (Previously presented) An apparatus according to claim 21, wherein the plurality of image data are obtained by a digital camera and the attribute information is added by the digital camera.

23. (Previously presented) An apparatus according to claim 21, wherein the attribute includes a title.

24. (Previously presented) An apparatus according to claim 21, wherein the attribute includes a photographing date.

25. (Previously presented) An apparatus according to claim 21, wherein the attribute includes a destination user.

26. (Currently amended) An image recording apparatus for connection with a recording unit that records an image on a recording paper based on image data and a plurality of bins to which the recording papers are ejected, said image recording apparatus comprising:

a read unit, adapted to read[[,]] attribute data from a memory storing a plurality of image data and a plurality of attribute data corresponding to the plurality of image data, wherein each attribute data has a plurality of attributes and each attribute includes attribute information;

a designation unit, adapted to designate one attribute from among the plurality of attributes; and

a determination unit, adapted to make a determination, based on the attribute information read by said read unit included in the attribute designated by said designation unit, such that a plurality of recording papers on which a number of image data with the same attribute information included in the attribute designated by said designation unit are recorded are output to the same bin output port.

27. (Previously presented) An apparatus according to claim 26, wherein the plurality of image data are obtained by a digital camera and the attribute information is added by the digital camera.

28. (Previously presented) An apparatus according to claim 26, wherein the attribute includes a title.

29. (Previously presented) An apparatus according to claim 26, wherein the attribute includes a photographing date.

30. (Previously presented) An apparatus according to claim 26, wherein the attribute includes a destination user.

31. (Currently amended) A method of determining a paper output port, comprising:

a recording step of recording an image on a recording paper based on image data;

a step of reading, from a memory storing a plurality of image data and a plurality of attribute data corresponding to the plurality of image data, wherein each attribute data has a plurality of attributes and each attribute includes attribute information;

a step of designating one attribute from among the plurality of attributes; and

a step of making a determination, based on the attribute information stored in the detachable memory included in the attribute designated in said designation step, such that a plurality of recording papers on which a number of image data with the same attribute information ~~included in the attribute designated in said designating step~~ are recorded are output to a [[the]] same bin of a plurality of bins to which the recording papers are ejected ~~output port~~.

32. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 31, wherein the plurality of image data are obtained by a digital camera and the attribute information is added by the digital camera.

33. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 31, wherein the attribute includes a title.

34. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 31, wherein the attribute includes a photographing date.

35. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 31, wherein the attribute includes a destination user.

36. (Currently amended) A program stored on a computer-readable medium, comprising:

a step of reading, from a memory storing a plurality of image data and a plurality of attribute data corresponding to the plurality of image data, the plurality of image data wherein each attribute data has a plurality of attributes and each attribute includes attribute information;

a step of designating one attribute from among the plurality of attributes; and

a step of making a determination, based on the attribute information read in said reading step included in the attribute designated in said designating step, such that a plurality of recording papers on which a number of image data with the same attribute information included in the attribute designated in said designating step are recorded are output to a [[the]] same bin of a plurality of bins to which the recording papers are ejected.

37. (Previously presented) A program stored on a computer-readable medium according to Claim 36, wherein the plurality of image data are obtained by a digital camera and the attribute information is added by the digital camera.

38. (Previously presented) A program stored on a computer-readable medium according to Claim 36, wherein the attribute includes a title.

39. (Previously presented) A program stored on a computer-readable medium according to Claim 36, wherein the attribute includes a photographing date.

40. (Previously presented) A program stored on a computer-readable medium according to Claim 36, wherein the attribute includes a destination user.